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REGION 50 – TEXAS (WEST AND CENTRAL) 700 MHz PUBLIC SAFETY PLANNING COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES NEXT MEETING

The Region 50 Texas, West and Central (Midland Area)¹ 700 MHz Public Safety Planning Committee (RPC) announces that its next meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 20, 2005 at 1:00 p.m. at the Midland Office of the Texas Department of Public Safety, 2405 South Loop 250 West, Midland, Texas.

The purpose of the meeting is to develop a regional plan for the 700 MHz Public Safety band. A regional interoperability plan must be developed with due consideration to the adjoining region's plans and the Texas Statewide Interoperability Plan. Proposed bylaws for the Region 50 RPC will be presented for approval at this meeting. In addition, individuals are needed for sub-committees for regulatory activities, technology issues concerning the 700 MHz channels and coordination of frequency plans with adjoining regions.

All public safety agencies within the fifty-five county geographic area; the four Councils of Governments servicing the above area; professional associations, organizations concerned with public safety communications and any interested persons are invited and encouraged to attend.

The Region 50 700 MHz meeting is open to the public. All eligible public safety providers whose sole or principal purpose is to protect the safety of life, health, or property in

¹ Region 50 – Texas (West and Central, Midland Area) includes the following 55 counties: Andrews, Border, Brewster, Brown, Callahan, Coke, Coleman, Comanche, Concho, Crane, Crockett, Culberson, Dawson, Eastland, Ector, El Paso, Fisher, Gaines, Glasscock, Haskell, Howard, Hudspeth, Irion, Jeff Davis, Jones, Kent, Kimble, Knox, Loving, Martin, Mason, McCulloch, Menard, Midland, Mitchell, Noland, Pecos, Presidio, Reagan, Reeves, Runnels, Schleiker, Scurry, Shackelford, Stephens, Sterling, Stonewall, Sutton, Taylor, Terrell, Throckmorton, Tom Green, Upton, Ward, and Winkler. It also includes all Native American Tribes within the named counties.

Region 50 would utilize these frequencies. It is essential that not only public safety, but all government, Native American Tribal, and non-governmental organizations eligible under Section 90.523 of the Commission's Rules be represented in order to ensure that each agency's future spectrum needs are considered in the allocation process.

All interested parties wishing to participate in the planning for the use of new public safety spectrum in the 700 MHz and the newly allocated 4.9 GHz bands within Region 50 are encouraged to attend. For further information, please contact:

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